

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| Applicant | Hans-Wulf Pfeiffer |
| Application No. 09/929,267 | Filing Date: August 14, 2001 |
| Title of Application: | Method Of Increasing The Boundary Layer Strength On Surfaces Of Workpieces Made Of Brittle Hard Materials |
| Confirmation No. 9985 | Art Unit: 1731 |
| Examiner | John M. Hoffmann |

MAIL STOP PETITION
Commissioner for Patents
Post Office Box 1450
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***Petition for Revival of an Application for Patent
Abandoned Unintentionally under 37 CFR 1.137(b)***

Dear Sir:

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to respond timely to the Office Action dated January 8, 2007. This petition is being filed immediately upon learning of the unintentional abandonment.

APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS TO REVIVE THIS APPLICATION.

1. The petition fee in the amount of \$1,500.00 is enclosed.
2. Substitute Appeal Brief is enclosed.
3. Petition Fee in the amount of \$1,500 is being submitted via EFS system.

4. The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional.

Respectfully submitted,

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